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## 1 Claims:

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3 1. A universal hose clamp comprising a universal hose  
4 locating mechanism, a hose coupling for connecting a  
5 hose to the hose clamp, and a securing means for  
6 securing said locating mechanism to a support  
7 structure.

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9 2. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 1,  
10 wherein the support structure is an existing  
11 railing, pole or other similar structure.

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13 3. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 2,  
14 wherein the securing means is a universal base  
15 clamping mechanism adapted for clamping onto the  
16 support structure.

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18 4. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 1,  
19 wherein the support structure is a portable  
20 independent frame.

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22 5. A universal hose clamp, as claimed in Claim 4,  
23 wherein the portable independent frame is a tripod.

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25 6. A universal hose clamp, as claimed in Claims 4 and  
26 5, wherein the securing means is a locking mechanism  
27 adapted to lockably engage the hose locating  
28 mechanism to the support structure, wherein the  
29 locking mechanism comprises a male and female member  
30 that are adapted to lockably engage.

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32 7. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 1,  
33 wherein the hose locating mechanism comprises a

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1 central mount, two Azimuth locking mechanisms and a  
2 quick release hose mount.

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4 8. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 7,  
5 wherein the Azimuth locking mechanism contained on  
6 the locating mechanism comprises a handle assembly,  
7 a connection means and a stab pin.

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9 9. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 7,  
10 wherein the Azimuth locking mechanism contained on  
11 the locating mechanism moves between a locked  
12 position when the handle assembly is in a plane  
13 parallel to the stab pin, and a locked position when  
14 the handle assembly is rotated through 90 degrees to  
15 lie in a plane perpendicular to the stab pin.

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17 10. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 7,  
18 wherein the first Azimuth locking mechanism  
19 contained on the locating mechanism provides a means  
20 for rotating the hose coupling about an axis in the  
21 horizontal plane.

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23 11. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 7,  
24 wherein the second Azimuth locking mechanism  
25 contained on the locating mechanism provides a means  
26 for rotating the hose coupling about an axis in the  
27 vertical plane.

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29 12. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 1,  
30 wherein the hose coupling comprising a gripping aid,  
31 a mounting band and a securing means.

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1 13. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 12,  
2 wherein the gripping aid is cylindrical in shape.

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4 14. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 12,  
5 wherein the gripping aid is made of a flexible  
6 material, namely rubber.

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8 15. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 12,  
9 wherein the mounting band is cylindrical in shape.

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11 16. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 12,  
12 wherein the securing means is a screw thread  
13 mechanism.

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15 17. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 1,  
16 wherein the attachment means for the hose coupling  
17 to the universal hose clamp is easily detachable.

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19 18. A universal hose clamp as claimed in Claim 17,  
20 wherein the attachment means an Azimuth locking  
21 mechanism.

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